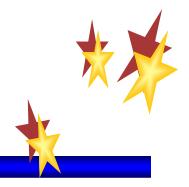


Reporting 1999–2000 Academic Performance Index Growth and Awards





- ◆Initiated by Governor Davis
- ◆Signed into law in Spring 1999
- ◆Authorizes an accountability system for California public schools
 - Goal: improve achievement of all students





Key Components

- ◆ Academic Performance Index (API)
- ◆API-based awards programs
- ◆ Immediate Intervention/ Underperforming Schools Program (II/USP)
- **◆ Alternative Accountability System**
- **♦** Evaluation





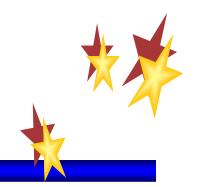
- ◆ Advisory committee of educators and business leaders convened by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction
- ◆ The committee worked with researchers and technical experts from universities and K-12 education
- ◆API adopted by State Board of Education (SBE) in November 1999





The API Scale:

- ◆Ranges from 200 to 1000
- ◆Allows for ranking by deciles (ranging from 1 to 10)
- ◆Features an interim statewide performance target of 800





- → Measures school performance
- Assigns schools numerical growth targets for future improvement
- ◆Provides comparisons between schools with similar characteristics





Uses of the API

- ◆ To rank academic performance of schools
- ◆ To establish growth targets for:
 - each school
 - each numerically significant ethnic and socioeconomically disadvantaged subgroup of students within the school
- ◆ To determine if growth targets are met







Schools That Receive a Growth API

- ◆ Schools included in 2000 API Growth:
 - Public schools only
 - Elementary, middle, and high schools (charter schools included) with 100 or more valid Stanford-9 test scores
 - Traditional student population
- ◆ Other public schools fall under Alternative Accountability System and do not receive an API



- ◆ Test results must make up at least 60% of the API
- ◆ API to include, but not be limited to:
 - STAR test results
 - pupil and certificated staff attendance rates*
 - high school graduation rates*
 - other statewide test results*
- ◆ Students must be enrolled in a district at least one year for their scores to be included
 - * when valid and reliable results are available







API Reporting Cycle 1999–2000

- **◆ January 2000: Base Year Report**
 - includes 1999 API, based on 1999 Stanford 9 test results
- **♦** October 2000: Growth Report
 - reports API growth, based on difference between 1999–2000 Stanford 9 results





1999–2000 API growth report for each school includes:

- Percent of students tested in 2000 Stanford 9 administration
- ◆ School's 1999 API Base
- ◆ School's 2000 API Growth
- **♦** 1999-2000
 - growth target and actual growth
 - similar schools growth rank (available December 2000)
- Whether growth targets were met
- School eligibility for Governor's Performance Award/School Site Employee Bonus award
- School demographic characteristics
- API and growth subgroup report







School Demographic Characteristics Included in the Law:

- **♦** Student mobility
- **♦** Student ethnicity
- Student socioeconomic status
- Percent fully credentialed teachers
- Percent teachers with emergency permits
- Percent of students classified as English language learners
- ◆ Average class size
- → Multi-track year-round school





Schoolwide:

- ◆ Five percent of the distance between a school's 1999 API and the interim statewide target: 800
- ◆ A minimum of at least one point for any school with API below 800
- ◆ Schools at or above 800 must remain at or above 800

Student Subgroups:

◆ In general, each numerically significant student subgroup must meet or exceed 80% of the school's growth target.



Significant Student Subgroups

♦ Must have at least 30 students with valid Stanford 9 scores and comprise 15 percent of a school's tested enrollment

OR

Must have at least 100 students with valid Stanford 9 scores (even if less than 15 percent)



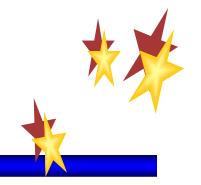
- ◆ American Indian or Alaska Native
- **♦** Asian
- **♦** Pacific Islander
- **♦** Filipino
- ✦ Hispanic or Latino
- **◆** African American not Hispanic
- ♦ White not Hispanic
- ◆ Socioeconomically disadvantaged





API-Based Awards

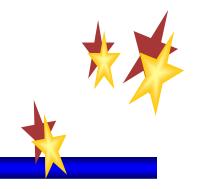
- ◆Governor's Performance Award (GPA) Program
- **♦** School Site Employees Performance Bonus
- **♦** Certificated Staff Performance Incentive Act





Award Programs

The purpose of the awards programs is to recognize schools (and staff at those schools) that meet API growth targets





API-based Awards

State Funds appropriated:

- **◆ GPA Awards** \$227 million
- ◆ School Site Employee Bonus Awards — \$350 million
- Certificated Staff Incentive Awards
 - \$100 million





- ◆ Elementary and middle schools must have 95% participation rate on 2000 Stanford 9
- ✦ High schools must have 90% participation rate on 2000 Stanford 9





GPA/School Site Employee Bonus Awards Criteria

The school must:

- Meet schoolwide growth target
- Meet subgroup growth targets
- ◆Grow at least one point (schools with 800 or above on 1999 API)





School Eligibility:

◆All schools that receive an API, including schools participating in the Immediate Intervention/Underperforming School Programs (II/USP), are eligible to participate in the GPA and School Site Employee Bonus awards





Use of schoolwide funds at a school:

- ◆ Decided by existing site governance team/school site council representing major stakeholders
- ◆ Must be ratified by local board





GPA/School Site Employee Bonus Funding Allocations

GPA Awards:

◆ Maximum amount allocated to each school is up to \$150 per pupil (K-12)

School Site Employee Bonus Awards:

- ◆ All site staff (on FTE basis) to receive half of bonus funds
- Equal amount of money for schoolwide use







School Participation:

◆Open to any school with a 1999 API in decile statewide ranks 1 to 5





Criteria for eligibility:

- ◆ School must show at least two times annual growth target
- ◆ All subgroups must make 80% of 2 times the school target
- Must show growth on Stanford 9 during 1998-1999





Funding allocations:

- ◆Performance bonuses to teachers and other certificated staff at school
- ◆ Certificated staff includes site administrators, certificated teachers, and emergency waiver teachers







Funding allocations:

- ◆ Biggest gains receive the most money based on growth (number of API points increased over 2 times the school's target)
 - 1,000 certificated staff in schools with largest growth receive \$25,000 each
 - 3,750 certificated staff receive \$10,000 each
 - 7,500 certificated staff receive \$5,000 each





Funding allocations:

- ◆Funds become the object of discussion between the local governing board and the exclusive bargaining representative of teachers and other certified staff
- ◆If failure to reach agreement, funds will be distributed proportional to salary





Identification Criteria for II/USP Schools

Schools are eligible to volunteer for II/USP for 2000–2001 if they:

- ◆ Are not already in II/USP
- ◆ Scored in the lower half of the statewide distribution on the 1999 Stanford 9 results
- Did not meet schoolwide target and/or did not demonstrate comparable improvement





1999–2000 API Growth and II/USP Schools

- ♦ Schools not in II/USP that do not meet 1999–2000 growth targets may be eligible for II/USP (planning) beginning 2000–2001
- ◆ Current II/USP schools that do not meet 1999–2000 growth targets continue in II/USP for 2000–2001
- ◆ II/USP schools that fail to meet 2000-2001 growth targets (after first year of implementing plan) are subject to local interventions





Types of schools included:

- ◆ Schools serving traditional student populations with fewer than 100 valid Stanford-9 test scores
- Special education schools and centers
- ◆ Alternative, continuation, community day, court, community, and county schools serving high-risk populations

Note: Private schools are not included in PSAA







Alternative Accountability System

- ◆ Designed by Alternative Accountability Subcommittee of the PSAA Advisory Committee
- ◆ Presented to State Board of Education July 2000 (See "Board Items" at PSAA home page)
- Approved in concept by Board at its July 2000 meeting
- ◆ Comprised of three "models"
- ◆ Different models take effect in different years







Alternative Accountability System: Three Models

- 1. Small Schools
- 2. Alternative Schools
- 3. Special Education Schools and Centers





Alternative Accountability System: Small Schools

- ◆ Serves a traditional student population with 11-99 valid student Stanford 9 scores
- Given "Asterisked API" (compared with other small schools only)
- ♦ Will begin with 2000 Base API





Alternative Accountability System: Alternative Schools

- ◆ A majority of the students served by the school or referred to the school are:
 - at high-risk for behavioral or educational failure
 - expelled
 - under disciplinary sanction
 - pregnant or parenting
 - wards of the court
 - recovered dropouts

OR

 Serves traditional student population but has fewer than 11 valid
 Stanford 9 scores





Alternative Schools Model: Accountability

- Proposal approved in concept by State Board:
 - Multiple indicators consistent with mission of school
- ◆ SBE to approve indicators by January 2001
- ◆ One indicator will be STAR
- → Model will begin 2001-02 school year





Alternative Accountability System: Special Education Schools and Centers

- ◆ School must be classified as a special education center
- ◆Special education population within a traditional school does NOT constitute a special education center





Special Education Schools and Centers

- ◆ Traditional schools with special education students are covered by main accountability system (API)
- Existing accountability at special education centers is strong
- Accountability efforts are integrated with processes already developed by CDE Special Education Division
- ◆ Recommendations based on review of new alternate assessment and Key Performance Indicators to go to the State Board in fall 2001





"Opt-In" from Alternative Accountability System

♦ Principle:

- eligible to participate in the Alternative Accountability
 System the opportunity to be part of the main accountability system
- "Opt-In"to the main accountability system not an option for schools with fewer than 11 valid test scores



- → July 2000 State Board of Education:
 - Stanford 9 scores only in 2000 API Base
- ◆ STAR standards-based test anticipated for 2001 API Base
- ◆ PSAA's Advisory Committee, with Technical Design Group (TDG) assistance, to determine API calculation methodology.

